

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 8, replace the paragraph beginning at line 7 and ending at line 8 as follows:

FIG. 2 is a cross-sectional view of FIG. 8 taken along line 8-8 according to an embodiment of the present invention.

At page 8, after line 20, add two new paragraphs as follows:

FIG. 8a is an enlarged view of detail C1 of FIG. 8.

FIG. 8b is an enlarged view of detail C2 of FIG. 8.

At page 12, replace the paragraph beginning at line 7 and ending at line 15 as follows:

Referring now to the particular embodiment of FIGS. 7 and 8, each of the exciter rings 124 and 126 (not visible; see FIG. 4) comprises a plurality of individual excitors 122 (also seen in FIGS. 8a and 8b). In one embodiment, 90 single-channel excitors 122 are configured side by side in a 360-degree ring 124 and 126, with a separation 128 between each individual exciter 122. In this embodiment, each of the individual excitors occupies about three degrees of the ring 124 and 126 and each separation 128 between individual excitors 122 is about one degree, forming a complete 360-degree ring 124 and 126. Thus, there are a total of 180 individual excitors 122 in the generator assembly, with the first exciter ring 124 comprising 90 individual excitors 122 and the second exciter ring 126 comprising 90 individual excitors 122. One embodiment of an angular span 122' of an exciter 122 is shown in FIG. 8.